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1. THE FEBRUARY 24 ISSUE OF TSAN KAO HSIAO HSI (REFERENCE NEWS) CARRIES ON ITS SECOND PAGE AN AFP ARTICLE REPORTING THE ARRIVAL IN FRANCE OF FRENCH STUDENT ODILE PIERQUIN AND HER CHINESE HUSBAND. THE ARTICLE NOTES THE COUPLE WILL CONTINUE THEIR STUDIES IN FRANCE, AND PLAN EVENTUALLY TO RETURN TO CHINA. THE ARTICLE ALSO REFERS TO THE WEDDING LAST DECEMBER OF AUSTRALIAN TEACHER SUSAY DAY WITH A "YOUNG CHINESE."

2. THE MARCH 6 ISSUE OF REFERENCE NEWS CARRIES TWO AFP ARTICLES ON THE SAME SUBJCT, THIS TIME REPORTING A FRENCH TELEVISION INTERVIEW WITH MS. PIERQUIN. SHE IS REPORTED MAKING SOME GENERAL COMMENTS ON IMPROVEMENTS IN CHINESE LIFE SINCE THE FALL OF THE GANG OF FOUR, SUCH AS MORE FREEDOM IN THE CHOICES OF CLOTHING AND HAIR STYLES AND "LESS EMPTY TALKS." SHE SAID THAT SHE NEVER SUFFERED ANY MISTREATMENT IN CHINA, BUT REFERRED TO HER STRUGGLE WITH
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THE CHINESE BUREAUCRACY TO GAIN PERMISSION TO BE MARRIED. PERMISSION WAS GRANTED, SHE SAID, ONLY AFTER "CONCERN" WAS EXPRESSED BY THE "HIGHEST LEADERS."

3. COMMENT: IT IS PROBABLY ONLY THROUGH THIS RESTRICTED CIRCULATION PUBLICATION THAT CHINESE CAN DISCOVER THAT IT IS INDEED POSSIBLE TO MARRY A FOREIGNER (WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE

PRC'S TOP LEADERSHIP).

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